

Boston, Sept. 10, 1857.

My dear Mr. May:

I enclose a letter which I have just received from our friend Rev. Claudius Bradford, at Montague; which I have ~~just~~ answered to this effect: - 1. That I had promised to go to Cummington with you, via Northampton, and as you were absent at Leicester, I should have to consult you as to the change - saying it would give me great pleasure to lecture in Montague, if I could. 2. That I did not know how I could get from Montague to Cummington on Saturday, in season for the afternoon meeting. 3. That my aunt is so very ill, that her dissolution may take place at any time; and it is possible I may not be able to go even to Cummington. Therefore, I told him not to commit me until he



heard from me again. What do you think I had better do? As for lecturing at Montague, on my return from Cumington, I could not feel it right to stop by the way a single hour, ~~and if~~ especially if aunt should then be living.

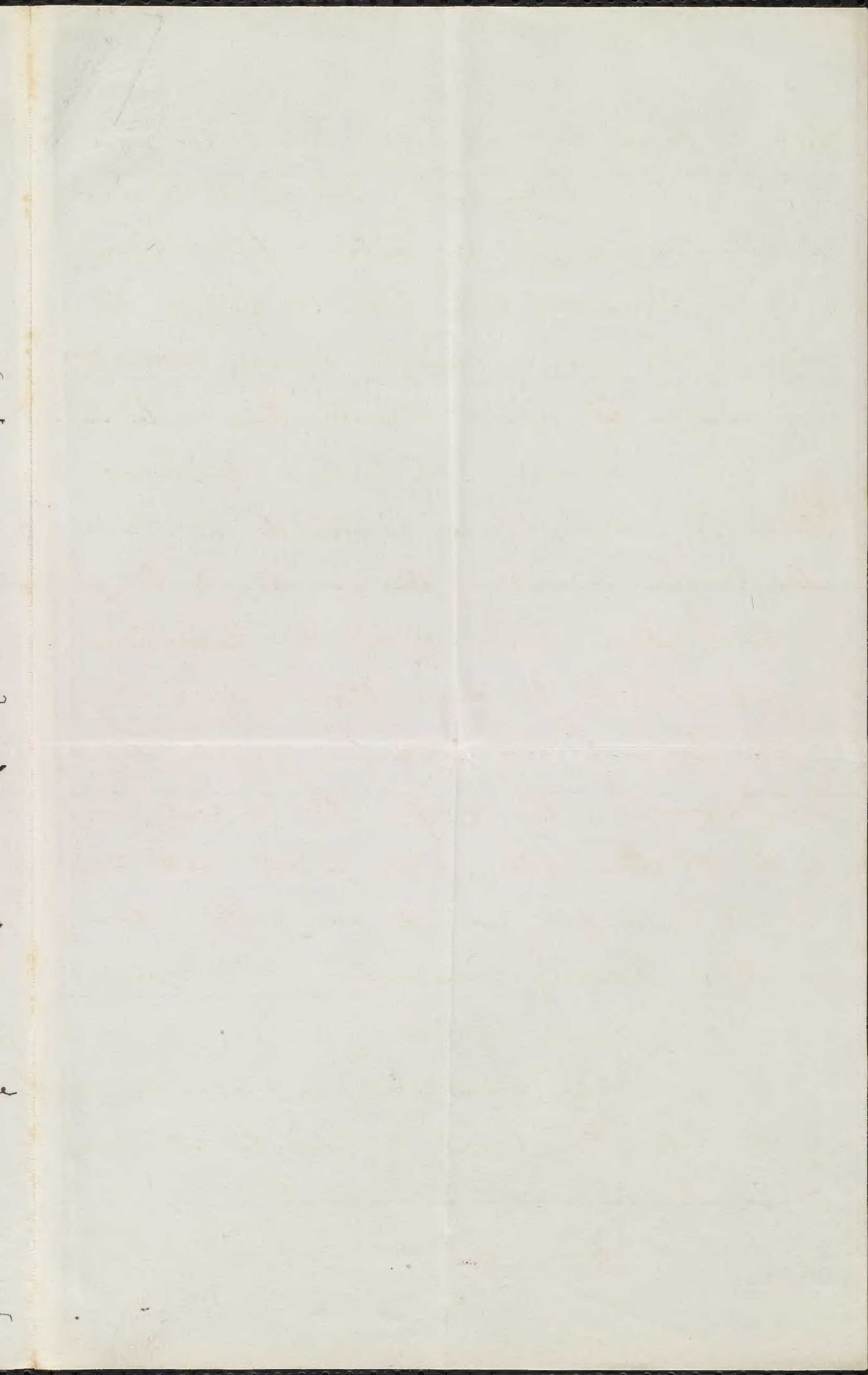
To save a long and tedious ride by land, I am inclined (in case Montague is out of the question) to go on the Western rail-road to Hinesdale, which cannot be more than half a dozen miles from Cumington, I should think, on examining the map. Or, in case we go to Northampton, why could not our friends there get us up an anti-slavery meeting Friday evening? Will you give me your advice?

The Transcript, as you will see by the Liberator, basely refuses to let me be heard in reply to "Sigma"!

Yours, truly,

W. L. Garrison.





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